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Dear Mr. Kelley,

This is pursuant to my letters of August 2 and December 18, 1975 and the FOIA/PA requests contained in them.

In between those two letters I was hospitalized with what turned out to have been a severe phlebitis from which there had already been permanent damage. This has imposed some limitations and restrictions on me. One related to filing, which was and sometimes remains difficult and awkward. I have the impression you responded to my 12/18/75 letter by saying there are no such files. If you did I would appreciate a copy for my files.

There are files on me to my knowledge, and not only in Protective Research. I am not suggesting impropriety in them. I am saying that I do want them, all of them and that I would like you to forward this to the proper Treasury official. I mean the FOIA/PA request to include any and all files on or about or pertaining to me, whatever their origin.

If not prior to then there are files on me going back to the World War II period. I was in prior contact with the Treasury and the Secret Service. During the war period some of my work led to official Treasury actions. If my recollection is not faulty there was a case in which part of the action included collecting a $160,000 fine.

I have been interviewed by Secret Service Agents in their official capacities on more than one occasion and for more than one purpose. You have had others put me under surveillance for what your part considered to be legitimate reasons that in fact were spurious. I have seen other files on this. it is real and if I do not it is not because I cannot provide more specifics.

Do I have to tell you that I could not have been the subject of proper security checks without consultation with the Secret Service? I do have records on this and there was more than the involvement of this nature I wrote you about.

I am aware of the possibility of embarrassment in this but the law precludes this as an exemption from compliance. That false report mentioned above is one about which I was not consulted, unfortunately. How anyone in his right mind could have credited it I do not know. It may, in fact, have contributed to if it did not cause the phlebitis as I'll explain if you want me to.

As I told you I would I have turned this entire matter, involving all agencies, over to counsel. I hope you will re-read my 12/18/75 letter. Because I have not been provided with the regulations under the amended law and the Privacy Act I also ask that you forward this request to that or those Departmental officers.

I find no response to my request repeated August 2,1975 after receiving your letter of three days earlier. If you do not now comply with that request I ask that you please forward a copy of this as my appeal from a refusal of the request under FOIA.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg